

PAY FOR CURANS

M'KINLEY SAID TO BE READY TO
GIVE \$3,000,000.

PORTER TO ARRANGE FOR IT

GOING WITH SENOR QUESADA TO NE-
GOTIATE PEACE COMES

HAVANA, Jan. 30.—President McKinley is understood to have empowered Robert Taft to attempt to arrange the payment of \$3,000,000 to the Cuban soldiers. Mr. Porter will probably go with Senor Gonzales de Quesada to Remedios to meet General Maximo Gomez, to persuade the Cuban commander-in-chief to disband his forces and to lend his influence to the United States' military administration. Mr. Porter and Senor Quesada are conferring tonight with the governor general.

Don Emilio, who accompanied Remedios to-day after two days' visit with General Gomez, says the latter is much hurt by what he regards as American neglect of his soldiers. He is anxious to see the president and to advise his soldiers to go home penniless. Gomez purposes coming into the neighborhood soon and will review the Cuban troops at Marianao, though the date is not yet fixed.

There is some doubt whether he and the other military chiefs will accept the \$3,000,000, no matter what other favorable conditions may be offered. Mr. Porter, however, is confident that the Cuban personal representative of President McKinley in the negotiations, has been directed to

Much is expected of the assistance he will receive, when approaching General Gomez, from Senor Jose Miguel Gomez and Senor De Quesada.

commission now investigating the finances of the municipality that he must appear before the commission to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock to answer interrogations or must take the consequences of contempt, the penalty for recalcitrancy, in the mind of the commissioners, being imprisonment until he is willing to testify.

Major General Ludlow, governor of the

The Banco Espanol is so intimately connected with the finances of Havana as a creditor to the amount of \$7,500,000, that the commission deems it necessary to get a complete accounting from the bank as to its present position and a statement of what

is doing now with the city's market dues. The commission requested Senor Galbis to present himself for examination last Friday and again on Saturday, but he sent word that he was indisposed. He was then asked to come before the commission at 9 o'clock this morning, but today he sent a message that he was physically unable to comply, in consequence of the exhaustion due to his bank labors. This

replied was regarded as unsatisfactory and the peremptory notice for to-morrow was served upon him. If he now refuses, the only thing that can prevent an arrest—so a member of the commission says—will be a medical certificate.

Should this be produced, ~~the~~ physicians who act for the commission will be sent to make an examination of Senor Galbis. Of course, if he obstinately refuses to testify, he will be dealt with for contempt

The commission expects to have easy work so far as the other officials, directors and employees are concerned. All will be called upon to make full explanations. Mr. C. W. Haskins, the expert accountant, and his assistants, will explore all the books of the bank accessible. Information has reached the commission that some of the books have strangely disappeared.

WOOD NOT TO SUCCEED BROOKE

Three Generals Would Be Degraded
if the Rumored Change Were
to Be Made.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 30.—Careful inquiry at the war department discloses the fact that the president has taken no action to

ward supplanting General Brooke by General Wood as governor general of Cuba, and there is also ground for the statement that he has no such intention. General Wood's splendid administration of civil affairs in Cuba has earned the admiration of the president, but it is impracticable to place him in command of the whole island, for that would involve the relief from duty there of all the officers, includ-

ing General Brooke, General Lee and General Ludlow, who can claim seniority over General Wood. This would amount to the degradation of those officers, notwithstanding the excellent services they have rendered, and there is not the least disposition on the part of the president to do them this injustice.

PHILADELPHIA IS TO GO.

**Government Has Not Canceled the
Cruiser's Orders to Proceed
to Samoa.**

WASHINGTON, Jan. 30.—Our government has not cancelled the orders to the United States cruiser Philadelphia to proceed from San Diego to Samoa to represent United States interests there: so it

It is in contemplation to reach a joint agreement between the three powers interested in Samoa to send war vessels there, that will apply to the future. As Germany has now one vessel at Apia and the British government two, no complaint is expected of the presence in that harbor of at least one United States vessel. The Philadelphia was to have left San Diego yesterday, but

was detained by the non-appearance of Chief Engineer Bates, who was ordered from the Texas, at Havana, overland from New Orleans to the Philadelphia, and who, it was supposed, had already reached the ship.

St. Joseph Ex-Slaves' Home.

ST. JOSEPH, MO., Jan. 30.—The national home for aged and dependent negro ex-slaves, established here five years ago by

several prominent negroes, has passed into the hands of Father Graham, of St. Patrick's Roman Catholic church. He says it will continue to be a non-sectarian institution.

Portrait of Eugene Field.

CHICAGO, Jan. 20.—Charles A. Gray's life size oil portrait of Eugene Field was formally presented to the Chicago Press Club today. The picture is a splendid likeness.

ness and is similar to the picture which Mr. Gray painted for Scribner's.

Electric Light for Shelbyna.

SHELBYNA, MO., Jan. 30.-(Special.) The new 2,000-light electric light plant at this place was started last night. Shelbyna is now the cheapest and best lighted city of its size in the West.